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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

29 February 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE ✓
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DEPUTY DIRECTOR/INTELLIGENCE
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OPERATIONS
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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, SCIENTIFIC INTELLIGENCE
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, COMMUNICATIONS
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PERSONNEL
DIRECTOR OF TRAINING
INSPECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT: Employment of Consultants

Please instruct personnel under your supervision to make no approach to any person respecting service as a CIA Consultant without your clearance, and through you my approval.

WALTER B. SMITH
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Hulick
FROM : Deputy Director (Plans)
SUBJECT : Employment of Consultants

1. Will you please collaborate with [] in the preparation of a brief order for the Director's signature, to be addressed to all Assistant Directors on the subject of Consultants. This memorandum should state in effect that no further Consultants are to be employed by any employee or representative of the Agency without the prior approval of the Director.

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2. For your own information and that of [] and for such use as you may consider it desirable in the drafting of the memorandum, the Director's decision to issue such a memorandum is the result of two principal developments, namely:

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a. The review of the Consultant situation has disclosed that there are too many consultants already retained or employed by the Agency and that many of these Consultants are not properly controlled or adequately exploited; and

b. There have been a number of recent "backfires" which have come to the attention of the Director as the result of what he considers to be unwise selection of individuals to serve as Consultants.

3. You will want to think carefully about the inclusion of the second reason above mentioned, and it would be desirable to phrase the first reason carefully so as to avoid creating an unnecessary amount of hurt feelings.

4. I am inclined to agree with the Director's feeling that throughout the Agency we have employed too many Consultants and that some sloppy practices have arisen concerning our control and exploitation of those already on the rolls. I am aware of the particular cases which have backfired with resulting embarrassment to the Agency and some loss of security. In any event, it is the Director's wish that such a directive be prepared. I should like to see a copy of it before the proposed directive is submitted to the Director for his signature.

FRANK G. WISNER

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Administration)

SUBJECT: Time and Attendance Certification
by Fee Basis Consultants

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1. Under [redacted] consultants now certify on their vouchers that they receive no compensation from other Government agencies for the days on which they are paid consultant fees. This is appropriate in all but those few cases where an intermittent consultant on a fee basis is entitled to draw retirement pay from one of the Services as well as his consultant's fee. In those cases the certification should read as follows:

"I certify that for the days covered by this report, during which I performed services as an intermittent consultant on a fee basis with the Central Intelligence Agency, I have not received nor will I claim compensation from any other Government agency with the exception of retirement pay from the United States Navy." (Army or Air Force can be substituted for Navy as appropriate.)

2. This certification was suggested by the Chief of the Fiscal Division and has been concurred in by the GAO representative. It would seem appropriate to amend [redacted] accordingly.

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LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON
General Counsel

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cc - Exec Ass't to Director

cc - ONE, Attn: [redacted]

cc - Admiral [redacted]

cc - Personnel Director (Att: [redacted])

cc - Personnel Division (Att: Mr. [redacted])

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REMARKS: In the future it would be appropriate
to use this new certification for Admiral
[redacted] reports.

LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON

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